

PRESS NOTE

OECD: SALINI IMPREGILO ON INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT AS KEY FACTOR FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

MILAN, October 24, 2019 – Infrastructure as a strategic factor in global sustainable development was the topic of a round table discussion entitled “A Call for Private Investment to Achieve the SDGs” organised yesterday in Paris by the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) about foreign direct investment and public policy to foster higher levels of sustainable economic growth and employment. Joseph Attias, Group Engineering, Development and Concessions Director at Salini Impregilo, highlighted infrastructure as an essential prerequisite for social economic development. Attias described how Salini Impregilo, with its projects in the infrastructure sector, contributed to the achievement of the sustainable development goals (SDGs) set by the United Nations.

“The Group has adopted a Strategy for Sustainability that establishes two lines of action for the promotion of 10 SDGs in particular: supporting clients in the development of infrastructure projects in strategic areas such as water, renewable energy and sustainable mobility; and contributing to the development of the areas where we are present by investing in our people and in the protection of the environment. We recently launched a new policy on Inclusion and Diversity, which follows initiatives in areas such as Health and Safety to help develop the company’s human capital. These are shaping a corporate culture that is becoming more distinct and imbued with the principles of sustainability in all its facets,” he said.

As regards the global megatrends that influence the decision-making process, the international community has adopted initiatives to support actions such as the Agenda 2030 for Sustainable Development of the United Nations and the Paris Agreement on fighting climate change. Salini Impregilo is contributing to these initiatives by building infrastructure that supports the achievement of the goals. For example, it is on the front line in efforts to achieve SDG 6 on clean water by guaranteeing a daily supply to more than 20 million people across the globe with plants built by Fisia Italmimpianti. A member of the Group, Fisia Italmimpianti is a world leader in desalination and the treatment of water. Salini Impregilo is also contributing to SDG 11 on sustainable cities with various metro projects throughout the world. From Australia to Middle East to Europe including France, these projects will enable about 3.5 million people to move about their respective cities in a sustainable way, reducing the use of private vehicles as well as the amount of harmful emissions. The commitment behind these investments is set to grow under Progetto Italia, a plan by Salini Impregilo to consolidate the infrastructure sector in Italy to compete better on international markets.

Salini Impregilo is one of the major global players in the construction of large, complex civil infrastructure. For five years it has been ranked No. 1 in the water infrastructure sector by Engineering News-Record (ENR) and as of 2018 has achieved ranking in the Top Ten of the Top Environmental Firms. It is also a leader in the transport infrastructure sector, being involved in major sustainable mobility projects in rail and metro systems around the world. It has successfully built some of the world’s most iconic projects: bridges, roads and motorways, civil and industrial buildings, and airports. The Group has 113 years of engineering experience on five continents, with design, engineering and construction operations in nearly 50 countries and more than 35,000 employees from over 100 nationalities. It is a signatory of the United Nations Global Compact as it pursues the sustainable development goals of its clients, from clean water and energy to sustainable mobility to buildings with a low environmental impact. Its expertise is displayed in projects such as the Grand Paris



Express metro system, Cityringen in Copenhagen, Sydney Metro Northwest, Red Line North Underground in Doha and Line 3 of the Riyadh Metro. Other projects include the expansion of the Panama Canal, the Rogun hydroelectric dam in Tajikistan, the Anacostia River and Northeast Boundary tunnels in Washington, D.C. and the Al Bayt 2022 World Cup stadium in Qatar. In 2018, new orders totalled €6.0 billion, with a total backlog reaching €33.4 billion. Salini Impregilo Group is headquartered in Italy and is listed on the Milan Stock Exchange (Borsa Italiana: SAL; Reuters: SALI.MI; Bloomberg: SAL:IM).

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